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Agenda item 6

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITS SPECIAL SESSION

Draft report

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ORGANIZATION OF THE SPECIAL SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the special session

1. The Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development held a special session at United Nations Headquarters from 6 to 17 February 1995, in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1994/309, of 3 November 1994. By that decision, the Council decided that the Committee should hold a session in February/March 1995 in order to provide advice on energy for rural development to the Commission on Sustainable Development at its third session, as provided for in Agenda 21. 1/ The Committee held ___ meetings (1st to ____) and a number of informal meetings.

2. The special session was opened by the Chairman, Mr. Mohamed M. Shawkat (Egypt).

1/ Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992, vol. I, Resolutions Adopted by the Conference (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex II.

3. At the same meeting, the Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development made an introductory statement.

4. At the 8th meeting, on 13 February, the Director of the Division for Sustainable Development in the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development of the United Nations Secretariat made a statement.

B. Attendance

5. The following experts of the Committee were represented: Mr. Marcelino K. Actouka, Mr. Messaoud Boumaour, Mr. José L. Bozzo, Mr. Bernard Devin, Mr. Paul-Georg Gutermuth, Mr. Wolfgang Hein, Mr. José Fernando Isaza, Mr. Virgil Musatescu, Mr. Valeri Nikov, Mr. Giovanni C. Pinchera, Mr. Zoilo Rodas Rodas, Mr. E. V. R. Sastry, Mr. Mohamed M. Shawkat, Mr. Wilhelmus C. Turkenburg, Mr. Dmitri B. Volfberg and Mr. Zhang Guocheng.

6. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented: Haiti and Ireland.

7. The following United Nations bodies and programmes were represented: the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW).

8. The following specialized agencies were represented: the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

9. The International Energy Agency, an intergovernmental organization, was also represented.

10. The following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (Roster) were represented: International Solar Energy Society and Solar Cookers International.

C. Election of officers

11. The officers, who had been elected by the Committee at its first session remained (with the exception of Mr. Thomas B. Johansson (Sweden), who had resigned):

Chairman: Mr. Mohamed M. Shawkat (Egypt)

Vice-Chairmen: Mr. Zhang Guocheng (China)
Mr. Zoilo Rodas Rodas (Paraguay)

Rapporteur: Mr. Virgil Musatescu (Romania)

12. At the 2nd meeting, on 6 February, the Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Wilhelmus C. Turkenburg (Netherlands) as Vice-Chairman.

D. Agenda

13. At the 1st meeting, on 6 February, the Committee adopted the provisional agenda for the special session contained in document E/C.13/1995/1 and Corr.1. The agenda was as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

2. Energy for rural development.

3. Biomass for energy.

4. Development of energy resources in developing countries.

5. Energy coordination.

6. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its special session.

14. At the 2nd meeting, on 6 February, the Committee adopted its programme of work contained in document E/C.13/1995/L.1.

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ENERGY FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

15. The Committee considered agenda item 2 at the 2nd to ____ meetings, from 6 to __ February 1995. It had before it a number of informal papers submitted by individual members of the Committee. A number of technical papers were also made available to the Committee.

16. At the 2nd meeting, on 6 February, statements were made by Mr. Boumaour, Mr. Turkenburg, Mr. Volfberg, Mr. Zhang, Mr. Devin, Mr. Gutermuth, Mr. Musatescu, Mr. Actouka and Mr. Hein.

17. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization.

18. At the same meeting, statements were also made by the representatives of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and the United Nations Development Programme.

19. At the 3rd meeting, on 7 February, statements were made by Mr. Isaza, Mr. Bozzo, Mr. Hein, Mr. Rodas Rodas, Mr. Devin, Mr. Nikov, Mr. Gutermuth, Mr. Zhang, Mr. Volfberg and Mr. Shawkat.

20. At the same meeting, the representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

21. At the same meeting, a statement was also made by the representative of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

22. At the 4th meeting, on 7 February, statements were made by Mr. Volfberg and Mr. Musatescu.

23. At the same meeting, the representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization made statements.

24. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the representative of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

25. At the same meeting, statements were also made by representatives of the International Energy Agency.

26. At the 5th meeting, on 8 February, a statement was made by Mr. Pinchera.

27. At the same meeting, the representative of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

28. At the same meeting, a statement was also made by the observer for Solar Cookers International, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (Roster).

29. At the 6th meeting, on 9 February, a presentation on energy in the rural sector was made by the representative of the World Bank.

30. At the 7th meeting, on 10 February, a statement was made by Mr. Sastry.

31. At the 8th meeting, on 13 February, a statement was made by the observer for the International Solar Energy Society, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (Roster).

32. At the same meeting, statements were made by Mr. Boumaour, Mr. Gutermuth, Mr. Volfberg and Mr. Sastry.

33. At the same meeting, a statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

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BIOMASS FOR ENERGY

34. The Committee considered agenda item 3 at the 5th, 6th, ___ meetings, on 8, 9, __ February 1995.

35. At the 5th meeting, on 8 February, statements were made by Mr. Turkenburg, Mr. Zhang and Mr. Pinchera.

36. At the 6th meeting, on 9 February, statements were made by Mr. Isaza, Mr. Turkenburg, Mr. Volfberg, Mr. Boumaour, Mr. Bozzo, Mr. Pinchera, Mr. Devin, Mr. Hein, Mr. Gutermuth and Mr. Zhang.

37. At the same meeting, the representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

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DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY RESOURCES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

38. The Committee considered agenda item 4 at the ____ to ____ meeting(s), from __ to __ February 1995.

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ENERGY COORDINATION

39. The Committee considered agenda item 5 at the ____ to ____ meeting(s), from __ to __ February 1995.

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ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITS SPECIAL SESSION

40. At the ____ meeting, on __ February 1995, the Committee adopted the report on its special session (E/C.13/1995/L.2) [as amended during the discussion].